

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new Claims 12 as follows:

B1
Sub C1
-12. A method for regenerating catalytic activity of a catalyst composed of a titanium dioxide or hydrous titanium dioxide support coated with gold particles that has been used for oxidation of unsaturated hydrocarbons in the gas phase comprising contacting the catalyst with water or dilute acid.

Please amend Claim 6 to read as follows:

B2
Sub C1
6. (Once Amended, Clean) A method for regenerating catalytic activity of a catalyst composed of a titanium dioxide or hydrous titanium dioxide support coated with gold particles that has been used for oxidation of unsaturated hydrocarbons in the gas phase comprising contacting the catalyst with water, dilute acid or a dilute hydrogen peroxide solution.